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Patent Application

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Serial No.:

Title: **Position-Based Integrated Motion Controlled Curve Sawing**

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To: The Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks  
Washington, D.C.  
20231

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U.S. Patents No. 2,022,857 and No. 4,373,563 are discussed at page 2 of the specification; U.S. Patents No. 4,144,782, No. 4,373,563, No. 4,548,247, No. 4,572,256, No. 4,599,929, No. 4,690,188, No. 4,881,584, No. 5,320,153 and 5,400,842 and No. 5,469,904 are discussed at page 3 of the specification. The remaining prior art references generally discuss cutting and sawing lumber, but do not disclose the invention of the instant application.

The person making this statement is the undersigned attorney, who does so on the basis of information supplied by the Canadian patent agent for the inventors.

It is applicant's opinion that the essential features of the invention are neither described in nor obvious from any of the references mentioned above, whether taken individually or in any reasonable combination.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to make the listed documents of record in connection with the prosecution of the subject application.

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FOR POSITION-BASED INTEGRATED MOTION CONTROLLED CURVE SAWING

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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The filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement will not be construed to mean that a search was conducted or that no other material information, as defined by 37 C.F.R. 1.56, exists.

U.S. No. 4,239,072 issued to Merilainen is for the method and apparatus for edge-trimming a board, but does not disclose the invention of the instant application.

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